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*Via Electronic Filing*  
Ms. Marlene Dortch  
Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 12<sup>th</sup> St., SW, Room TWB-204  
Washington, DC 20554

Re: *Application by Qwest Communications International, Inc., for Authorization to Provide In-Region InterLATA Services in the States of Colorado, Idaho, Iowa, Nebraska and North Dakota, Docket No. 02-148.*

*Application by Qwest Communications International, Inc., for Authorization to Provide In-Region InterLATA Services in the States of Montana, Utah, Washington and Wyoming, Docket No. 02-189.*

Dear Ms. Dortch:

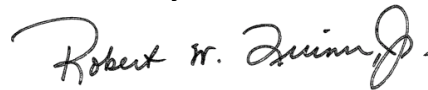
On Monday September 8, 2002, David Lawson and Mark Schneider of Sidley Austin Brown & Wood, and I met with John Rogovin, Linda Kinney, Debra Weiner, and Paula Silberthau of the Office of General Counsel and Michael Carowitz of the Wireline Competition Bureau, to discuss issues related to the aforementioned proceedings. In short, we urged the Commission to reject the Qwest applications for failure to comply with the requirements of the Section 271 checklist as well as on public interest grounds.

Specifically, we explained that Section 272 (b) (2) and (5) and section 272(c)(2) require that this Commission find that Qwest has conducted its affiliate transactions and kept its books and records in the manner prescribed by the Commission. Qwest's incorrect affidavits filed at the outset of the proceedings asserting that its long distance affiliate's books and records had been kept in accordance with Generally Accepted Accounting Principles and its most recent

statements that it cannot make that certification now compel the Commission to deny this application.

The positions expressed by AT&T were consistent with those contained in the Comments and ex parte filings previously made in the aforementioned dockets. One copy of this Notice is being submitted for each of the referenced proceedings in accordance with the Commission's rules.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Robert W. Quinn". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized "Q" at the end.

cc: John Rogovin  
Linda Kinney  
Debra Weiner  
Paula Silberthau  
Michael Carowitz